

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

In an apparatus for the purification of a gas which apparatus ~~comprises~~ includes a three-conduit section, that is, section conduit with

~~1. a~~ an ionization and cleaning section in which ~~the~~ particles contained in water-saturated air are ionized and then conducted through a chamber with grounded walls so that part of

of the particles are deposited on these walls,

~~2. an~~ additional cleaning section which includes grounded tubes past which the gas is conducted to remove additional charged particles and,

~~3. a~~ filter section in which dry remaining fine particles are removed from the gas stream. 4

~~The~~ the deposited particles are flushed from all three sections and the flushing water including the particles is cleaned and recycled.